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Newcomer in '87 bowing out in '95

By Bob Slatte
Staff writer

Jim Miller was something of a newcomer to politics when he sought the 2nd Ward aldermanic seat in Granite City in 1987.

At 36, he was relatively young for a political candidate. He had a wife, three children and a desire to contribute impact on the future of Granite City.

The day after he was elected, he described himself as "just a guy who ran and won."

Eight years and two terms later, Miller has decided to leave city politics — on his own terms.

"I am still able to make that decision on my own — not because I'm not satisfied with machine. I kind of feel like I'm going out the same way I went in," Miller said.

"They said it would end in divorce, they said it would mean involvement in (seedy) activities.

"But you can be a moral, thinking man in politics," Miller said.

In his eight years as an alderman, Miller has been instrumental in many of the changes that have taken place in Granite City.

He has served as chairman of the Downtown Rehabilitation Committee and has seen the city's central business district transform from mostly retail establishments to service-oriented operations. He has had a hand at redeveloping the former Central Bank building in the 1900 block of Edison Avenue — abandoned by Central Bank Corp. several years ago — into an office building housing offices of the Elizabethtown Medical Center and soon to be occupied by the Illinois Department of Employment Security.

Miller and the Downtown Committee established a tax increment finance district in 1990. The transformation continues even as Miller (See MILLER, Page 6A)



Jim Miller

the downtown area, spurring a major renovation in the 2100 block of Madison Avenue that is now home to a QuikTrip convenience store, Taco Bell and Jack-in-the-Rbox.

He helped convince the Madison County Transit District that downtown Granite City was an ideal location for a major medical center. The St. Elizabeth Medical Center invested millions of dollars in a new doctors' office building downtown.

And the transformation continues even as Miller (See MILLER, Page 6A)

Farmer wants out of village

By Hiley Schulte
Staff writer

Gary Rapp doesn't want to be a part of any municipality — whether it's Pontoon Beach or Granite City.

Despite Rapp's wishes, though, Pontoon Beach recently annexed his farm. If it wouldn't have, Granite City apparently might have.

Rapp said if he had to choose, he would remain in Pontoon Beach, but his real wish is that he live in a different city.

"There is no reason for me to be in a municipality," he said. "I'm zoned agricultural. Why would I want to pay more property taxes?"

"I have no reason for a change, and just want to be left alone."

Rapp made the comments Tuesday at a Pontoon Beach committee meeting.

Apparently, about seven years ago, Pontoon Beach notified Rapp that it wanted his farm at 3725 N. Dr. Simeon as part of Pontoon Beach. He told the village then he did not want to be annexed but said he was not notified of the village's intent to annex him. He said he thought he should have been notified.

So, the village and Rapp went to court, and a judge ruled that the village didn't have to notify Rapp of its intent to annex.

"He feels put out that he wasn't asked. He doesn't need to know the city services that you can provide to others," Rapp said and watered his hair to ask your consideration in decoupling him from the city," said Gary A. Eberhardt, Rapp's lawyer.

"He's totally surprised by Granite City's Pontoon Beach. He's not trying to get out of Pontoon Beach to get into

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(Staff photo by KYLE HESTER)

On its way — A tractor-trailer truck unloads corn into a hopper at the Tri-City Regional Port near Granite City. Nearly 3 million tons of agricultural, petroleum and steel products passed through the port last year. See page 5A for story and more photos.

Remington's may be resurrected

By Hiley Schulte
Staff writer

Tony Bono and Dr. Albert Trifani are hoping to open a restaurant in the former Remington's building in Mountauk Trace Parkway in Pontoon Beach.

To do so, they need a liquor license from the village, and they plan to do so with the help of the village board.

Bono has been in the restaurant business for about 20 years and operates places like

Tony Bone's, Cadillac Jack's, Noah's Arc and Doc Rocker's. He also established the Calico's restaurants.

Trifani is a local dentist and a shareholder in the former Remington's, which was owned by a partnership between Dan Krekovich and the late Mike Kramer.

Kramer, who said he and Bono are seeking to close the deal by Jan. 31 and are in the position to do so if the village grants the liquor license.

Bono said the main menu item will be prime rib. He said a

one-pound steak will be served with a potato for \$9.95. Other menu items may include pastas, salads, burgers, ribs, wings and pizza.

Bono said he would bring a base staff with him to the restaurant, but waitresses, bartenders and coolers under the heat cook will all be hired from the area.

He said the restaurant will have a dress code and a security staff, hiring bartenders and coolers under the heat cook will all be hired from the area.

"This is a great day for St. Louis," said St. Louis Mayor Franklin Bostley. "Our

dream is to have it."

"The St. Louis Rams — how sweet it is."

The Rams, who had an illustrious history in Los Angeles, fell on hard times in recent years. Those hard times will soon be softened.

The Rams lost around \$6 million this past year. Those losses have been recovered — and how.

Former Missouri Sen. Thomas Eagleton, who led the negotiations for FANS Inc., the St. Louis civic group that led the charge for a team, thinks that despite the price, it's still

Inside

Trivia

When and where did the Rams begin play in the National Football League?

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75 years ago

Jan. 20, 1920
J.C. Boggs, former vice president of Granite City National Bank, was chosen president of the bank at annual meeting of stockholders. He succeeded G.W. Niedringhaus, who has been the president of Granite City National Bank for many years.

Evelyn McElvain
Danny Curtis
Thelma Criss
William White
Lacie Harsh
Nellie Nolen

Deaths

Rams' move: 'How sweet it is'

a good deal for St. Louis.

"It's expensive to get a team," Eagleton said. "No team is going to say, 'Here we are,' for free."

Rams President John Shaw, the chief negotiator for the NFL team, said, "The key was that the city provided us with a beautiful facility, and it looks like it will be a tremendous stadium." There was a tremendous amount of enthusiasm by the local effort. They really showed they were excited to have us."

Shaw added, "I can't pinpoint a date, but the momentum hasn't stopped for several months now." In 1993, the county and the whole state of Missouri.

The Cardinals left St. Louis in 1988 and fled to Phoenix, Ariz. The reason? Owner Bill Bidwill wanted a modern stadium. But in 1990, the Cardinals' County couldn't get together on a deal to build one.

In the Rams' St. Louis fans get a team that has been a contender but that hasn't made it in five seasons. In 1993, they were 5-11. The year before they were 6-10. But in 1980, the Rams played in the Super Bowl against the Pittsburgh Steelers.

Shaw said his motivation to change the Rams' focus on the field as well.

"I think there is clearly a commitment by ownership to improve this football club," Shaw said. "I don't think it's simply money, since we're playing in a system that has a

"Most of the NFL clubs spend to the cap, so it's a question of picking the right players. There is a commitment made by Georgia to bring a winning team to St. Louis."

St. Louis beat out Baltimore and a group from Anaheim, Calif., called "Save the Rams" because of a deal that could yield \$20 million in annual profits for the Rams. The Rams, the Cardinals, the city lost out in the 1993 expansion sweepstakes to Charlotte, N.C., and Jacksonville, Fla. (See RAMS, Page 6A)

County OKs funds for base effort

By Scott Wuerz
Staff writer

The Madison County Board voted unanimously Wednesday to set aside up to \$100,000 in county funds for a bicounty effort to keep two local military facilities open.

Officials from Madison and St. Clair counties hope to raise up to \$1,000,000 to hire former military leaders to convince the federal government to keep the Air Force base in St. Clair County and the Melvin Price Army Depot in Madison County are too important to close.

The \$100,000 contribution would cost each county resident about 40 cents.

The facilities employ about 14,000 people in the two counties, Madison County Administrator Jim Monday said. But the two are being considered for closure, along with all other bases across the country, by the Base Realignment and Closing Commission in an effort to trim the American military budget.

Flag Day parade meeting set

A planning meeting for this year's annual Flag Day Parade will be held at 7 p.m. Monday, June 6, at the Elks Lodge BPOE, 1062 S. Maryville.

This parade will be dedicated to the men and women who served in World War II, the 50th year of the end of the war.

Plans will be discussed to make this year's parade even bigger and better than in previous years. The fifth annual Granite City Flag Day Parade is scheduled for Saturday, June 10.

Representatives from all veterans, fraternal, civic, religious, unions, businesses and youth organizations are invited to participate.

Any person or persons representing various groups, such as churches, marching units, bands, kennel clubs, car clubs or towns, among others, are invited to participate in the parade.

For further information, contact the co-chairpersons, Marlene Scarsdale at 651-9628 or Jim Taylor at 931-4504.

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Blood donors meet the need

By Martin Richter
Staff writer

bases and regions. March is a time those to be considered for closure, Monday said. A final decision about which bases will be closed will be made in July.

"We can just go to the BRAC and tell them how important the bases are to our local economy because they're going to hear that across the board," Monday said. "We need to hire military consultants such as retired generals and generals to show them why these bases are too important to the military to close."

Scott Air Force Base is an important command post for the Air Force, Monday said, but budget necessities will require many useful bases to be closed, so we'd better be prepared.

"We don't know if we'll even be on the list at this point," Monday said. "But we don't know that we won't be either."

Madison County Board Chairman Nelson Hagnauer said that in addition to bringing leadership and military experience to the

county, the financial contribution will also help to send a message that the people of Madison County are committed to keep the bases open.

"We really need to send a strong message," Hagnauer said. "It's also important that the local municipalities will be trying to work against St. Clair County to keep our base open, but rather that we are trying to work together to keep them both open. We need to work together and see what we can do."

In addition to their own contributions, the two counties are also asking their municipalities to contribute at the rate of 20 cents per capita. (In effect, this would mean a total of 40 cents per resident, when the 20 cents and 40 cents are added together.)

Madison County Board member Alan D'Unger, D-Troy, said municipalities should chip in because if the effort to keep the bases open is a failure the result would be economic disaster to many local communities.

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had to wait until Sunday, said Red Cross Communications Manager Sabrina Kalleberg.

"We felt about 50 short on Saturday, but we did get some extra donors on Sunday, who made up for that," Kalleberg said. "We got about 700 on Sunday. Usually we average about 250 on Sunday."

"We're in pretty good shape right now," Kalleberg said. "The concern right now, obviously, is keeping things up at this level."

Kalleberg said the Red Cross was grateful to the thousands of donors who responded to the appeals for blood. But she added that she hopes people will continue to give even though the

emergency is over.

"We encourage people to come out and give blood every eight weeks," she said. "We always say that if all the donors who are in our computer would give twice a year, we'd never have a shortage."

Less than one day's supply of blood was on hand in the Missouri-Illinois region last Wednesday when the Red Cross issued its urgent appeal for donors. Red Cross officials said donations had plummeted because of winter weather, including ice and snow on Jan. 6, and fewer people were busy over the holidays.

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Briefly

Babysitting clinic planned

To help current and future babysitters learn more about their jobs, St. Elizabeth Medical Center is offering a "Super Sitters Clinic" to those 12 years of age and older from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 28, at the SEMC Edwardsville Health Center, 1121 University Drive, in Edwardsville.

The clinic will be taught by registered nurses from the medical center's neonatal and newborn services and Education Resources department.

Topics include selecting a babysitting job, job responsibilities, infant and child care basics, nutrition, first aid and safety. There will be informational packets, plus fun learning exercises.

Participants are asked to bring a sack lunch. Drinks will be provided.

The cost is \$15 per person. Certificates will be awarded upon completion of the clinic. Enrollment is limited and pre-registration is required.

For more information or to register, call the Education Resources at 798-3201.

Film series set at GCC

Adventure and excitement are the words to describe the spring semester film series at the Granite City Campus of Belleville Area College.

All of the movies are free of charge. They will be shown at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. on Tuesdays in the television lounge at the campus. The line-up is as follows:

✓ Jan. 24, "Speed", an action-adventure movie starring Keanu Reeves and Sandra Bullock as passengers on a runaway bus.

✓ Jan. 31, "Love Trouble", a romantic comedy starring Julia Roberts and Nick Nolte as rival reporters out to solve the mystery of a woman.

✓ Feb. 7, "The Client", a John Grisham thriller starring Susan Sarandon as a lawyer trying to protect a child murder witness from both the mob and an eager prosecutor, played by Tommy Lee Jones.

✓ Feb. 21, "Baby's Day Out", a comedy starring Lara Flynn Boyle as a mother tracking the misadventures of her infant that crawled away.

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Opinion

Editorials

Churchich on target

We think Madison County Sheriff Bob Churchich is right on target when he lays the blame for severe overcrowding at the County Jail on the judicial system.

Earlier this month the jail, which has a capacity of 148, held 225 prisoners, some actually sleeping on the floors.

Next spring, work will begin on an expansion that will add 95 beds to the jail. Those additional beds would just about house today's excess population with a few to spare. But we would expect that once more capacity is available, that too would be strained if something isn't done to speed up the judicial system.

Churchich points out that some prisoners spend many months in the jail because they fire their lawyers when cases near trial or because their lawyers request one continuance after another, delaying court proceedings. One prisoner, the sheriff points out, has been held in Madison County for about three years while appealing extradition to Missouri.

Such circumstances are an insult to the taxpayers, a burden to law enforcement officers and a danger to prisoners who must live in the overcrowded and unstable conditions.

We agree with Churchich's blunt prescription for solving the problem. "The judges have to stop granting so many continuances," he said. "The judge should tell the attorneys that they either get prepared for trial next week or expect to be held in contempt of court."

The jail is not a holding facility to accommodate the overbooked schedules of lawyers or the whims of criminal suspects. It is a taxpayer-supported facility designed for the protection of the public and the administration of justice. We hope the judges will heed Churchich's appeal.

It is not realistic to rely on the anticipated jail expansion to solve the problem. Like the job that expands to fit the time allotted for it, the number of prisoners can be expected to expand to meet and exceed the jail's capacity to house them.

It's time to serve notice on lawyers and prisoners alike that they will no longer be permitted to set the agenda.

—From the Alton Telegraph

Letters to the editor

Charlie Bridick will be missed

TO THE EDITOR: I am sorry to be writing this, but I am becoming quite fond of our local police officer. On one of our first dates, he told me a story about a family disturbance he had to handle. He said he had to go to someone's home to calm them down. I was surprised to learn that the way in which his then-sergeant not only handled him but the call as well, I remembered thinking that this sergeant must be quite a character.

I found out first-hand several weeks later.

The officer and I were sitting on his back porch barbecuing. Going down the street that ran alongside the house was a beat up old green van. When the couple in the van saw us, they stopped, got out and stood in front of us. The man was obviously beginning to roll down his window. His wife could only hide her face and shake her head.

"Hey, come here," he said. "I want to see that girl my new boss keeps talking about."

I knew right then that not only was this man quite a character, but I had just made a good friend.

I don't think that it will come as any surprise to anyone who knew him that I had just met Charlie Bridick for the first time. The man had a terrific sense of humor and he made great many people in Madison and the surrounding communities who have at least one story to tell about him.

Charlie was a good friend to a great many people. He was always there when you needed a laugh, a smile, a pat on the back or a word of encouragement. He cared about people and he was such a personality that people were just drawn to him. It was not unusual to come home and find him sitting on the tallgate of his truck in my driveway. Not only was he talking to my husband, but several of the neighbors would be there as well.

He was a good friend to my family. He was an asset to his community and a truly unique man. He will be missed.

SUE SKOKLO
Madison

Theft victim offers thanks

TO THE EDITOR: I would like to give my thanks to the Granite City Police Department's Detective Division for the excellent service I received recently after my home was burglarized. Det. Ed Roberson, who was very professional and kind, took the time to finger-print. I would like to give special thanks to him for his caring attitude.

Det. Ray Takmajian completed the investigation, and, after six

weeks, has reported to me that the individual has been arrested on six counts of burglary, six counts of forgery and is being held on \$90,000 bond.

I wanted to share my experience with your readers and let them know that even though all these situations may not have the same results, we are fortunate to have professional caring officers serving our community.

Thank you, Det. Roberson, for your hard work.

P.A. FISHER
Granite City

Congress at fault for deficit

TO THE EDITOR: I belong to a group called National Committee to Secure Social Security and Medicare. I would like to share a portion of the group's editorial from the back page (60) of its January/February 1995 issue:

"We know members of Congress, especially those who held one-term offices, deeply concerned about our nation's economic woes. And they should be. All of us are."

But Social Security and Medicare are not the cause of our nation's budgetary woes regardless of what groups such as the Concord Coalition and the Bipartisan Commission on Entitlement Reform may say. Social Security doesn't contribute one iota to the deficit. Hundreds of billions of dollars flow in every year from the trust funds to benefit the nation's disabled and retired workers and their spouses, survivors and children. And every year for the past 10 years Social Security has brought in billions of dollars more than is paid out for benefits.

So the deficit lies not with Social Security. And it's not with Medicare. Part A, also funded by earmarked taxes.

The deficit problem lies in those areas of spending financed by nonearmarked taxes and tax increases. That's where the problem is. Congress must look for solutions. The problem is politicians looking for easy ways to do things. That's why it's so important we convince politicians that they must look beyond the simple rhetoric and past the easy answers.

Social Security wouldn't even enter into the picture if President Lyndon Johnson had come up with the so-called unified budget as a way to pay for the Vietnam War without raising taxes.

In recent years, the federal government has used Social Security's surplus to make the overall deficit look smaller.

It's time for an end to blue smoke and mirrors and to the practice of shifting the deficit from one year to the next. It's time for Congress to correct the deficit where it started — in its own spending practices."

H. COY WINTER
Belleville

Illinois GOP copying Gingrich

Taking control for the first time in decades, Republican lawmakers plan to cut taxes, improve business incentives, reform financial judgments, reform welfare and expand the fight against crime.

It may sound familiar, but we're not talking about Newt Gingrich's takeover in Washington.

We're referring to Springfield, where the Grand Old Party this month took charge of all six statewide offices and both houses of the Illinois General Assembly.

It wasn't a carbon copy of the Gingrich electoral result, but it was close to it. Republicans now have numerical advantages of 230-204 and 53-47 in Congress and 64-54 and 33-26 in our state legislature.

Nationally, the GOP promises a history-making 100 days. Illinois Republicans have exceeded that by promising big changes within 90 days.

House Speaker Thomas Foley, Democrat, was defeated for re-election to Congress. Illinois House Speaker Michael Madigan, Democrat, remains in the General Assembly but as minority leader.

The new Illinois House speaker, Lee Daniels, is not quite as combative as Gingrich, but almost.

Daniels assails legislators "who sided with the repression

of debate, who extinguished meaningful reform for our schools, who stifled even basic tax relief," who turned a deaf ear on businesses trying to create jobs. Voters have conquered the guardians of graft and corruption of the government. Voters are tired of the politics of obstruction."

Just as national Republicans have a "contract with America," state GOP leaders have an "Illinois agenda" spelling out some of their goals.

Daniels blames Madigan for lack of progress during the latter's 12-year reign, an era in which the minority party had trouble getting the House to vote on even discuss many of its proposals.

Madigan admits he wielded tight control and says he expects similar treatment by the new majority. But this will last only two years, he predicts.

He says the 1994 voting "was the best Republican election in 40 years. I don't think it will be that good for them in 1996. Once

voters see, they'll decide to return to a Democratic majority." Madigan is satisfied with the welfare system, but let us not use this as an excuse to bash poor single mothers where there is no spouse in the house," Madigan says.

"We will let the party in opposition. We will articulate our views relative to working people, victims of accidents, the needs of local school districts."

He will represent victims of drunken drivers, victims of bad doctors and victims of bad manufacturers."

Starting his second term as governor last week, Jim Edgar vowed support for manufacturing while ruling out most special inducements to attract them to move to this state.

He advocates improved job training and state help on roads, sewers and other elements of infrastructure.

Edgar has appointed Lt. Gov. Bob Kustra as chairman of a newly-created Economic Development Coordinating Council. Kustra says he will be "working with communities fighting for jobs and holding onto the jobs we have."

Also starting a new term was Secretary of State George Ryan, not to be confused with new Attorney General Jim Ryan.

Other Republicans inaugurated last week were the first woman

Illinois treasurer (and first GOP state treasurer in 32 years), Judy Baar Topinka, and Loleta Dridrickson.

Dridrickson is the new state comptroller, succeeding Dawn Clark Nash, who opposed Edgar for governor by his 63.4 percent voter support.

Until the final hours of her term, Nash refused to warn that she was far overspending its income.

A female governor will fill a position created in 1990 with Topinka and Dridrickson among the potential prospects. In 1996, when U.S. Senator Paul Simon, Democrat, retires, the Republicans will nominate a candidate to fill his seat.

In his second inaugural talk, Edgar pledged to continue his belt-tightening approach, saying voters "affirmed that government must provide more while demanding less."

"Together, we can build an Illinois where the under-educated are better educated, where the unemployed are more employed, where mothers won't become mourners because of rampant gang violence, and where we are even more proud to raise our families."

How helpful does the GOP plan to be to Illinois families?

There were hints at the Capitol last week that property tax limits may be set for Cook County home owners and possibly residents statewide.

In fact, a del

Etiquette still counts — even in the '90s

Like most people, I have a firmly rooted habit for reading the morning newspaper.

During my first cup of coffee, while I'm still fuzzy-minded, I read the sports section, business and obituaries front page, other news, followed by the few cartoons I find funny plus Dear Abby.

Third cup of editorial page. To my son, Abby and Abby we have two moderately serious problems — a girl threatening to sue her parents to make them pay her college tuition and a man threatening to sue his ex-wife who loved a co-worker who subsequently informed their mutual office force of her malady.

Then the two standards. A couple from Minnesota who winter in Arizona and don't know how to deal with other Minnesotans who want to visit them. They were staying in vacation getaway quarters and the popular lady questioning the etiquette of the '90s.

The lady had attended a bridal shower at which the hostess had passed around envelopes to the guests, asking them to address the envelopes to themselves in order to save the bride from having to thank you later. She and others had refused to comply and she was told to comply by the nice that her manners were dated.

Bridal or baby showers, together with kitchen-ware and

beauty-aid "parties", are events I tend to shun. I don't mind sending a gift and good wishes, but I abhor playing silly games and I do not care to be part and parcel of such social affairs. I've even developed a mental list of acceptable excuses for non-attendance. Something in the way, maybe, I'm going to be out of town that week?" or "I'm going roller-blading tomorrow and will probably still be in traction next Friday."

And then there's the prevent exposure to the so-called etiquette of the '90s!

I'm old-fashioned to think that good manners still count for anything, though there are times I'm not sure for what, and the less exposure I have to some current etiquette, the better. More and more I've come to agree with Dr. Ruth's theory, spelled out in her book "Modern Manners, An Etiquette Book for Rude People" that though the modern world is "more open and accepting in general," the question of which fork to use for the oysters is not totally unimportant.

Manners, he wrote, "... come to

the fore when more august forms of authority collapse. When substance is execrable, we must make form do the work of content. The world is going to hell. All we can do is look good

on the trip."

Bearing this in mind, I'd like to applaud the lady who refused to address the envelope, and Abby, for assuring her that she was right.

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By Bob Slaten
Staff writer

The supermarket to the world passes through Granite City.

In fact, chances are good that your morning corn flakes once passed through the Tri-City Regional Port District. Similarly, a loaf of bread on a table in Africa or the asphalt paving a road in Mexico could well have once passed this way.

The Tri-City Regional Port District and Foreign Trade Zone #31, located immediately north of Locks and Dam #27 on the Mississippi River just west of Granite City, may be one of the region's best kept secrets. Nearly 3 million tons of agricultural, petroleum and steel products passed through the port last year.

Port officials hope that figure increases to 4 million tons this year.

About 70 percent of those goods are bound for export.

"This is very important to farmers in this region," said port engineer Jim Labit.

"Those farmers are real people. The bread on their table depends on their ability to get their product to market."

Utilizing highly specialized and complex machinery, the port specializes in intermodal transportation — in other words, efficiently transferring grain from an over-the-road truck to a barge or loading steel coils from a rail car to a barge.

The advantage for companies utilizing the facilities is a low cost to get their products to market. Marine transportation is much less expensive than railway transportation, which in turn is much cheaper than truck delivery.

"The cost per mile (for transporting goods over-the-road in a truck) is astronomical compared to a barge," Labit said.

For example, a barge can carry the equivalent load of 15 jumbo hoppers (railroad cars) or 58 over-the-road tractor-trailer trucks. One tow can carry the cargo carried in 2½ unit trains or 870 trucks.

"Almost all our tenants have a direct relationship to water, rail and truck transportation," Labit said.

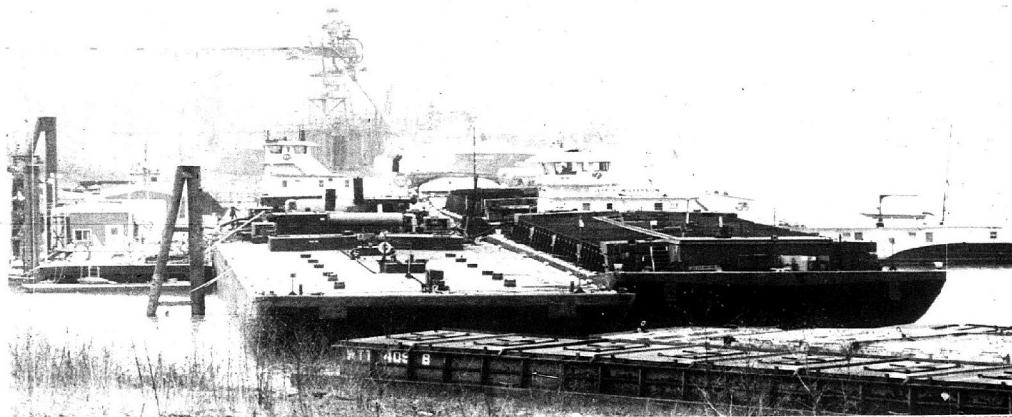
Among the tenants who lease land or dock space at the port are Granite City Steel, Robinson Steel, Bulk Services Corp., Apex Oil and Laroche Industries.

With the signing of the North American Free Trade Agreement, north-south trade is expected to greatly expand in the future.

Port Manager Bob Wydra estimates that trade between the U.S. and Mexico could grow from its current level of less than \$20 billion annually to more than \$100 billion a year 10 years from now.

Wydra refers to the waterway system linking North, South and Central America as the "Avenue of the Americas" and has been aggressively marketing the concept to key officials and business leaders, especially in Mexico.

In fact, a delegation from the Mexican state



(Staff photos by KYLE HESTER)

A view of the Tri-City Regional Port looking south from the Mississippi River levee. Barges, tow boats, cranes, conveyors and pipelines are

among the equipment used to transport materials. Locks and dam #27 lies at the far end of the port.

loading facilities are complemented most by the multi-modal transportation access in the area.

About 54 million people — potential customers for imports and exports — live in areas accessible by overnight truck delivery. Four major interstate highways link the area with the rest of the country. The area also contains the second largest rail center in the United States, served by four major railroad companies operating 28 rail lines.

And the expansion of Scott Air Force Base near Belleville to a joint air facility will increase the availability of air transportation for those companies utilizing the port facilities.

In the beginning

The Port District was established in 1959. Its main objective is to promote economic development in Scott County.

Many warehouse facilities, rail lines, and loading and unloading equipment were built by the port district. The port receives a long-term return on its investment by leasing space and facilities to private companies wishing to get their goods to market.

Port facilities employ about 230 people,

handle about 35,000 trucks, 30,000 rail cars and 2,000 barges each year.

The estimated economic impact on the region is calculated at 1,192 jobs, \$133 million in sales, \$32 million in payroll and \$1.66 million in taxes.

The port is governed by a seven-member board. One member each is appointed by the mayors of Madison, Vandalia and Alton. The remaining four members are appointed by the governor.

Foreign Trade Zone

Chrysler Corp. utilizes the dual advantages created by Foreign Trade Zone #31 at the port to import wheel units from Australia. After arriving here by barge, the wheels are taken by truck to Fenton for assembly.

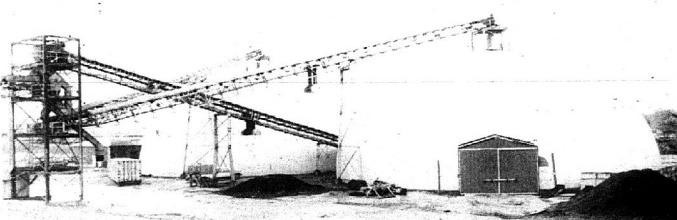
Imported goods stored in a foreign trade zone are subject to a 10 percent U.S. and free of import duty while being stored there. While auto parts brought in directly from another country might carry a 3.5 or 5 percent duty, parts brought in through Foreign Trade Zone #31 get significant breaks.

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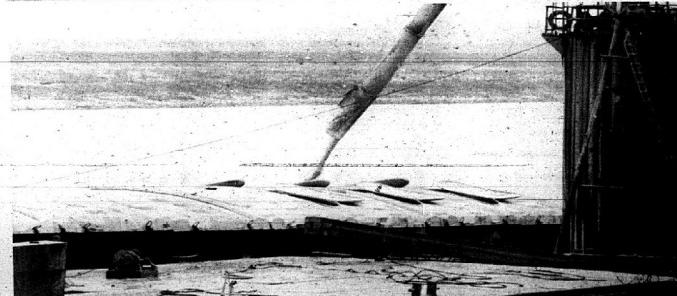
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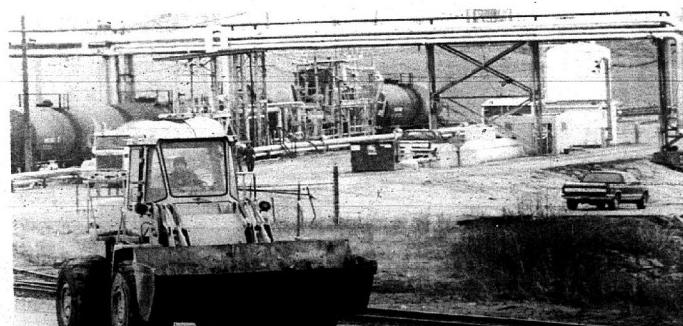
Scores of steel coils sit in rail cars, waiting to be loaded onto a barge.



These silos store fertilizer. The overhead conveyor system can carry the product either to or from barges.



Port equipment shoots corn into a southbound barge.



A network of railroad tracks and pipelines connects port machinery to the rest of the world.

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KMOV (4)	Murder Under Suspicion	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30			
KSDK (5)	Unsolved Mysteries	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30			
KNLC (7)	Gra. Accn. Larry Rice	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30			
KDNL (8)	M.A.N.T.S. "Progenitor"	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30			
KETC (9)	Wash. Wk.	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30			
KPLR (11)	True Blood	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30			
CABLE STATIONS												
SC (6)	Back Table	Journal (R)	English Soccer	Transworld Sport	Journal (R)	9Stream	English Soccer	Transworld Sport	(R)			
CNN (7)	Princesses	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30			
NICK (9)	Jeanine Bewitched	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30			
TNT (10)	I Love Lucy	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30			
TBS (12)	NBA Basketball	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30			
ESPN (13)	Biggest Game of the Week	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30			
DISC (14)	Shoppers	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30			
KPLR (15)	True Blood	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30			
PREMIUM STATIONS												
HBO (16)	"Fancy Pants"	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30			
SHOW (17)	"All About Us"	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30			
TMC (18)	"Conselling Adults"	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30			
DISH (19)	"Bandit Show"	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30			

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BROADCAST STATIONS													
KTVI	②	Fever Knight	** Robin Hood's Great Adventures! (1992)	CBS News	Now	7P	ABC News	News	8P	ABC News	News	9P	
KMOV	④	Entertainment Weekly (R)	Married, Married, Married... Married	CBS News	Business	This Morning	CBS News	Business	9P	Love Con.	Late Show (In Stereo)	10P	
KSDK	⑤	Entertainment Weekly (R)	Travel	NBC News	NBC News	NBC News	NBC News	NBC News	10P	Tonight Show (In Stereo)	Rush L.	11P	
KNLC	⑦	Movie	Larry Rice	Heaven	Z Music (In Stereo)	Insight	Living	-This Life	11P	Movie	Movie	12M	
KDNL	⑨	Paid Prog.	Psych	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	12M	Strap Spin	Bobby	Bots	
KETC	⑩	** To Which We Serve (1942) Not Coward	** * "Life With Father" (1947) William Powell	Adventures	Adventures	Business	Business	Business	12M	Lesquad	Coast	Coast	
KPLR	⑪	** Radio (In Stereo)	Highlander: The Series	The D.I. (1957, Crime)	Jack Webb	Imphan.	Planet	Copland	12M	Coast	Coast	Coast	
CABLE STATIONS													
SC	28	Press Box	Press Box (R)	Press Box (R)	Press Box (R)	Press Box (R)	Today's Business						
CNN	29	World Report	Sports	Future	Earth	Sources	Sport	Daybreak					
NICK	30	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.					
TNT	32	** They Died With Their Boots On (1941) Wesley Edmund	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.					
USA	33	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.					
ESPN	34	SportsCenter	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.					
TBS	35	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.					
TWC	36	Today's Weather											
WGN	37	Vanhelsing (St) (In Stereo)	Paid Prog.	Fame	MotorWeek	Jeffersons	Hair	Copeland	Children	Marriage			
WHSL	10	[1200] Club Class		Classic Club									
AMC	28	Mark	** "Desert Legend" (1978) Ash, Ladd	** * "Desire Under the Elms" (1951) Sophia Loren									
TNN	35	Rodeo (In Stereo)	[Off Air]										
MTV	36	90210	Community	Dreamtime (In Stereo)	Dude Awakening	Grid	Awaken						
LIFE	37	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.					
HN	38	News	News	News	News	News	News	News					
FAM	39	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.					
A&E	31	Civil War Journal (R)	Caroline's Comedy Hour	** * "The After Party" (1978) Malcolm McDowell	In Search	Classroom (P) (1-3 of 4)							
PREMIUM STATIONS													
HBO	14	Smugglers	Encyclopedic Movie	Varied Programs									
SHOW	15	Movie	Varied Programs	Movie	Varied Programs								
TMC	17	Movie	Varied Programs	Movie	Varied Programs								
DISH	16	Pooh	Care Bears (Gummi B.)	Dumbo	Froggy	Fairy Tales	Tracks	Varied Programs	Movie				

WEEKDAY MORNING

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KTVI	②	Good Morning America	Geraldo	Mike-Matty	All My Children	News	S. Power					
KMOV	④	This Morning (Cont)	Gordon Elliott	Regis & Kathie	Montel Williams	Price Is Right	News	Gold & B.				
KSOK	⑤	Another World	Donna	Donna	Jerry Springer	Family Ties	News	Gold & B.				
KNLC	⑦	Days Of Our Lives	Shaeffer Up	Ozanne	Mark	Varied Program	Heaven	Larry Rice				
KOMU	⑧	Trappers	Babe Morel	Pink P.	Fam. Fam.	Love Lucy	Empty Nest	Ricki Lake	Jones-Jury	Other Side		
KETC	⑨	Body Ed.	Mr. Rogers	Sesame Street	Barney	Station	Mr. Rogers	Kidsongs	Lamb Chops	Besame Street	Varied	
KPLR	⑪	Samurai	Mighty Max	Transform	Sonic	Mallock	Hunter	Top Cops	Top Cops	Wonder Y.	Night Court	
CABLE STATIONS												
SC	29	Money Wheel		Money Wheel	Opinion	Money Wheel						
CNN	30	Daybreak	Morning News	CNN & Co.	CNN & Co.	CNN & Co.	CNN & Co.	CNN & Co.				
NBC	31	Good Morning Gumbi	Reporters	Greene	Muppets	Muppets	Allegro	Gullah	Varied	Limi Bits	Erinie	Lassie
TNT	32	Scroobie Doobie	P. Parker	Watson	Bugs Bunny	Koala Landing	CH-Ps	Kung Fu				
USA	33	Cartoon	MacGyver	Scrubs	Murder, She Wrote	Doddle	Double Couple	Quantum Leap	Magnific. P.J.			
ESPN	34	SportsCenter	In Motion	Getting Fit	Fitness	Bodycoach	Sportscast	Sportscast	Sportscast	Varied		
DISC	24	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Assignment Discovery	Home Start	Easy	Homeworks	Graham K.	Varied	Cuisine	Home	
TBS	13	Gilligan	Beached	J's Co.	Little House	Varied	Varied	Perry Mason	Move			
TWC	36	This Morning's Weather										
WGN	12	Quincy	Charles Perez	Flintstones	Samurai	Saved Bell	Saved Bell	Charles	Love Conn.	Jeffersons		
WHSL	10	Classic Club	Varied	Varied	Varied	Varied	Varied	Varied	Varied	Varied	Varied	
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TNN	35	[Off Air]	Videoclocking									
MTV	98	Rude Awakening	Lord	MTV Blocks	MTV Jams	Music Videos	MTV	Music Videos	MTV	MTV	MTV	
LIFE	30	Monte Carlo	Sisters	Our Home	Barbara W.	Ultimate	From Queens	Design W.	Design W.	Design W.	Design W.	
HN	33	Our Home	Thirtysomething	Movie	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	
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DISH	16	Pooh	Gummi B.	Quack	Friggle	Umbrella	Kids Inc.	Mickey	Varied Programs	Varied	Varied	Varied

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KTVI	②	One Life To Live	Maury Povich	Cur. Affair	Hard Copy	News	ABC News	News	News	Entertain.		
KMOV	④	As The World Turns	Guiding Light	Rescue 911	Price	Young and the Restless	CBS News	News	News	Am.Journal		
KSDK	⑤	Another World	Days Of Our Lives	Edition	Jeopardy!	Oprah Winfrey	NBC News	News	Fortune			
KNLC	⑦	700 Club	Marie	Varied Programs	Varied Programs	Varied Programs	Varied Programs	Varied Programs	Varied Programs	Varied Programs	Varied Programs	Varied Programs
KETC	⑨	Varied	Puzzles	Barney	Kidsongs	Station	Bill Nye	Sandiego	Ghoshwater	Street	Marshall	Varied
KPLR	⑪	Richard Bay	Paul Prog.	World	Darkwing	Good Troop	Barkers	Aladdin	Full House	Gro. Pepe	Roosene	Cheers
CABLE STATIONS												
SC	29	Money Wheel	Money Wheel	Money Wheel	Money Wheel	Money Wheel	Money Wheel	Money Wheel	Money Wheel	Money Wheel	Money Wheel	Money Wheel
CNN	30	J.O. Simpson Trial Conf.	Talkback	Politics	J.O. Simpson Trial Conf.	Talkback	Politics	Call Sports	News	News	News	News
NICK	31	Gumby	Looney Tunes	Muppets	Temple	Frances	Lucas	Daybreak	Daybreak	Daybreak	Daybreak	Daybreak
TNT	32	90210	West	Wild West	Movie	Star Trek	Star Trek	Star Trek	Star Trek	Star Trek	Star Trek	Star Trek
USA	33	Prisoner	QuickSilver	Scrubs	MacGyver	Knight Rider	Knight Rider	Wings	Wings	Wings	Wings	Wings
ESPN	34	Tennis	Varied Programs	Varied Programs	Varied Programs	SportsCenter	SportsCenter	Up Close				
DISC	24	Start	Easy	Homeworks	Graham K.	Cuisine	Widethings	Up Close				
TBS	13	Movie	Varied	Tony J.	Perry Mason	Brady B.	Brady B.	Brady B.	Brady B.	Brady B.	Brady B.	Brady B.
TWC	36	Afternoon's Weather	America's Weather	This Evening's Weather	Today's Weather	Today's Weather	Today's Weather	Today's Weather	Today's Weather	Today's Weather	Today's Weather	Today's Weather
WGN	12	Quincy	Charles Perez	Flintstones	Samurai	Saved Bell	Saved Bell	Charles	Love Conn.	Jeffersons		
AMC	28	Movie	Varied	Varied Programs	Movie	Varied Programs	Movie	Varied Programs	Varied	Varied	Varied	Varied
TNN	35	3B	Music	News	[Off Air]							
MTV	98	Music	Varied	Varied	Varied	Varied	Varied	Varied	Varied	Varied	Varied	Varied
LIFE	30	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.
HN	33	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News
FAM	24	Split Sec.	Meatball	Big Jake	Punk B.	I'm Telling Masters	Mad Max	Dr. Who	News	News	News	News
A&E	31	Movie	Varied Programs	Varied Programs	Varied Programs	Varied Programs	Varied Programs	Varied Programs	Varied Programs	Varied Programs	Varied Programs	Varied Programs
PREMIUM STATIONS												
HBO	14	Movie	Varied Programs	Movie	Varied Programs	Movie	Varied Programs	Movie	Varied Programs	Varied	Varied	Varied
SHOW	15	Movie	Varied Programs	Movie	Varied Programs	Movie	Varied Programs	Movie	Varied Programs	Varied	Varied	Varied
TMC	17	Movie	Varied Programs	Movie	Varied Programs	Movie	Varied Programs	Movie	Varied Programs	Varied	Varied	Varied
DISH	16	Pooh	Gummi B.	Quack	Friggle	Umbrella	Kids Inc.	Mickey	Varied Programs	Varied	Varied	Varied

WEEKDAY LATE NIGHT

	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30	6:00	6:30
BROADCAST STATIONS												
KTVI	②	Entertain.	News	Hard Copy	Rolonda	Varied	ABC News	Varied Programs	ABC News	News	Varied	
KMOV	④	Jeanne J.	Love Con.	Fad	Fad	Varied	CBS News	Business	Business	Business	Business	
KSDK	⑤	Later	Leesa	Varied	Varied	Varied	NBC News	News	News	News	News	
KNLC	⑦	Movie	Varied Programs	100 Huntley Street	Z Music	Heaven	Varied	Boyle	Boyle	Boyle	Boyle	
KDNL	⑧	Varied	Varied									

Sports

Section B

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Steve
Porter

Edwardsville getting closer to SWC return

Get the Southwestern Conference bandwagon rolling. The Alton Redbirds are among the schools encouraging the Edwardsville Tigers to rejoin the league.

And Edwardsville, a former SWC member, should know something for sure by the end of the month.

"I THINK IT will happen," said Alton athletic director and head basketball coach Ron Smith. "We're looking down the road back into the conference they would give us seven teams, and that would help with scheduling."

Alton, Belleville East, Belleville West, East St. Louis, Granite City and Collinsville are the current six SWC members.

Edwardsville, which last played inside the conference 16 years ago, is expected to make a formal presentation Jan. 24 for readmittance into the SWC.

Conference principals and athletic directors may vote that day to re-establish Edwardsville, effective for the 1995-97 season. The Tigers will go the independent route next year.

"I think the (SWC) administrators are for it," Smith said.

EDWARDSVILLE belongs to the South Seven Conference, but the Tigers are cutting their ties with the school year. Cahokia will replace Edwardsville in the six-school conference that also includes O'Fallon, Alton, Edwardsville, Vandalia, Centralia and Marion.

The Tigers withdrew from the SWC in 1979 to become a member of the five-school Gateway East Conference, now defunct. After that, Edwardsville chose to remain an independent before becoming part of the South Seven two years ago.

Edwardsville's readmittance would renew some rivalries and cut down on out-of-conference scheduling for the SWC schools.

"IT'LL MEAN WE will have to only schedule three nonconference football games instead of four games," Smith said.

East St. Louis Lincoln is interested in also considering applying to join the conference. The Tigers would like nothing better than to be in the same league with East St. Louis Senior and a second-tier school.

Whether Lincoln has as broad a support as Edwardsville evidently does among SWC members is debatable. Community officials are wondering if the enrollment decline at East St. Louis Senior may force the community to merge both high schools into a single one or a second site.

Local dealers figure to embrace that scenario because East St. Louis Senior apparently has enough classroom space to accommodate students from both high schools.

In that case, Lincoln likely would be the big loser because it might have to close its doors, or be restructured as a middle school.

I don't think anybody in East St. Louis can make that call.

FORMER Edwardsville High girls basketball coach Dave Tissier has dropped his lawsuit against the school district. Tissier had sued Edwardsville after he wasn't reappointed as the Tigers' girls coach in 1994. He was succeeded by former EHS boys coach Bud Vallino, who still coaches the girls.

(Steve Porter is the sports editor of the Alton Telegraph.)

Hot goalie makes GCHS settle for tie

By Andy Fales
Correspondent

No one who attended Tuesday night's hockey game at Wilson Park can say that the Warriors didn't have every chance in the world to put away the Lindbergh Flyers.

GCHS could blame the ice which resembled the surface of the moon thanks to a broker Zamboni machine, but not before extending credit to Lindbergh goalie Keith Walden. The Flyers' netminder stopped a phenomenal 40 of 42 shots to keep his team in the game and earn a 2-2 tie.

WHILE THE WARRIORS (11-2-3) outshot the Flyers throughout the game, they were simply unable to beat Walden. What's more, Walden's team spotted Granite City a 2-1 lead early in the second period and endured five minutes of power play time, and the Warriors still were unable to beat him. The Flyers then got the equalizer at the beginning of the third period.

"We were outshot, our team almost 4-1 and only convert on two of them, you're either shooting the puck right at the keeper



(Photo by T.W. MILLER)

or he played a heck of a game — he played great," Granite City coach Dave Yurkovich said.

"I think we really outplayed them, but we weren't there to knock in the rebounds. We have

Hockey

GRANITE CITY 2, Lindbergh 2	1	1	—
LINDBERGH CITY	1	0	—
1. GC Gaffey (Boggs) 10:00	1	1	—
2nd period - 2. LB Keith Walden (Lash) 2:03			
3. GC Angle 14:23			
3rd period - 4. LB Laski 1:41			
SHOTS ON GOAL			
LINDBERGH CITY	3	8	—
Goals: Granite City, Shuster (13 shots, 11 saves); Lindbergh, Walden (42 shots, 40 saves).	10	16	17-42

to get the net faster."

THE FIRST PERIOD had Yurkovich's team on top. The Warriors put the heat on Walden from the moment the puck was dropped until the buzzer sounded. When forward Matt Wilson's hoisted pass went off the left in the period gave Lindbergh a man advantage. Granite City came into its own. Checking the Flyers up and down the ice, the Warriors' defense and then goalie Robbie Slater with a nice cross-ice pass, finally solved to even the score with 12:37 to go in the second period.

"WE ALWAYS CARRY A Plan A and a Plan B when we go up against physical teams like Granite City," Pickett said.

"Obviously, we weren't doing things right in the first period, so we switched our plan of attack on them. While the Angle change lets us beat them a few times, I think they definitely outplayed us tonight. I was very impressed with their team."

Whatever the specifics of the plan, it encompassed what allowed forward Shawn Laski and Keith Walden to beat the Granite City defense and then goalie Robbie Slater with a nice cross-ice pass, finally solved to even the score with 12:37 to go in the second period.

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Travel-weary Ritter eases by Devils in MLK Classic

By Lonnie Cole
Correspondent

Cardinal Ritter star forward Chris Carravell was yawning during pre-game warmups of his club's first contest with Venise in the Martin Luther King Classic on Monday at Normandy High School.

We all tired, we all tired," emphasized Ritter coach Preston Thomas, as he elaborated on a long weekend of playing basketball, traveling to St. Louis and Chicago, air travel, logistical problems at hotels and a litany of other disruptions.

STILL THE LIONS won both road games, including a 79-78 overtime win over Joliet Township, and a 75-71 win at Granite City and ranked 11th in the nation by one publication, but Carravell (20 points) and 7-foot-1 Woods (20) sparked Ritter's victory. The Lions then beat Venice 54-44.

Ritter used the game against the Red Devils to give its bench some rest, and in the process a number of players stepped up. The 6-7 Carravell and 7-1 Woods played sparingly after the first quarter while unheralded players like Halbert Gaines and Dan Nichols were called to the forefront to help the Lions win.

From a fan perspective, the only downside to the win was that Ritter's unheralded stars (Carravell and Woods) were really needed, and as a consequence only a couple of hundred fans stuck around Normandy's gym by the second half, when it was apparent that secondary



Clinton Harris

players would carry the load.

CARRAVELL STILL LED Ritter with 12 points, but Gates added 11 and Andre McKenzie dropped in 10 in a well-balanced attack. Venise started no player taller than 6-0.

"It's not the only disparity the Red Devils had as

evidenced by the manner Ritter's role players and reserves

continued to control the tempo.

"They had a lot of energy and I only have 10," said Red Devils coach Clinton Harris. "It was a disadvantage all the way: height, talent, depth. They've got a good team and we're going to be a tough game."

Venice (7-8) was led by Kevin Roberts, who scored a game-high 15 points, and Ron Taylor with 10.

The Red Devils are playing in

Boys basketball

Cardinal Ritter 54, Venice 44	10	5	9	20	—	44
CARDINAL RITTER	12	12	17	13	—	44
VENICE Roberts 13, Gates 11, McKenzie 11, Laski 10, Harris 4, Washington 4, Kennedy 2, FG-11, 3FG-4, FT-10, PF-11, TO-10, 2OT.	10	16	17	13	—	44
CARDINAL RITTER: Carravell 12, Gates 11, Nickerson 10, McKenzie 11, Laski 10, Harris 4, Washington 4, Kennedy 2, FG-17, 3FG-5, FT-5, PF-11, TO-10, 2OT.	12	12	17	13	—	44
Sparta 66, Venice 49	10	16	17	13	—	49
Game 1: Triad vs. Waterloo, 5:30 p.m.	10	16	17	13	—	49
Game 2: Sparta vs. Waterloo, 8:30 p.m.	10	16	17	13	—	49
Game 3: Sparta 66, Venice 49	10	16	17	13	—	49
Game 4: Lebanon vs. Venice, 5:30 p.m.	10	16	17	13	—	49
Game 5: Murphyboro vs. Sparta 7 p.m.	10	16	17	13	—	49
Game 6: Triad vs. Waterloo, 8:30 p.m.	10	16	17	13	—	49
Game 7: Lebanon vs. Triad, 5:30 p.m.	10	16	17	13	—	49
Game 8: Venice vs. Murphyboro, 7 p.m.	10	16	17	13	—	49
Game 9: Sparta vs. Waterloo, 8:30 p.m.	10	16	17	13	—	49
Saturday, Jan. 21	10	16	17	13	—	49
Game 10: Waterloo vs. Venice, 11 a.m.	10	16	17	13	—	49
Game 11: Triad vs. Sparta, 12:30 p.m.	10	16	17	13	—	49
Game 12: Lebanon vs. Murphyboro, 2 p.m.	10	16	17	13	—	49
Game 13: Venice vs. Triad, 5:30 p.m.	10	16	17	13	—	49
Game 14: Murphyboro vs. Waterloo, 7 p.m.	10	16	17	13	—	49
Game 15: Sparta vs. Lebanon, 8:30 p.m.	10	16	17	13	—	49

Sparta Mid-Winter Classic

Tuesday, Jan. 17

Game 1: Triad 73, Murphyboro 73

Game 2: Waterloo 66, Sparta 58

Game 3: Sparta 66, Venice 49

Game 4: Lebanon vs. Venice, 5:30 p.m.

Game 5: Murphyboro vs. Sparta 7 p.m.

Game 6: Triad vs. Waterloo, 8:30 p.m.

Game 7: Lebanon vs. Triad, 5:30 p.m.

Game 8: Venice vs. Murphyboro, 7 p.m.

Game 9: Sparta vs. Waterloo, 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 21

Game 10: Waterloo vs. Venice, 11 a.m.

Game 11: Triad vs. Sparta, 12:30 p.m.

Game 12: Lebanon vs. Murphyboro, 2 p.m.

Game 13: Venice vs. Triad, 5:30 p.m.

Game 14: Murphyboro vs. Waterloo, 7 p.m.

Game 15: Sparta vs. Lebanon, 8:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 18

Game 1: Lebanon vs. Triad, 5:30 p.m.

Game 2: Sparta vs. Murphyboro, 7 p.m.

Game 3: Sparta vs. Waterloo, 8:30 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 20

Game 4: Lebanon vs. Triad, 5:30 p.m.

Game 5: Venice vs. Murphyboro, 7 p.m.

Game 6: Sparta vs. Waterloo, 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 21

Game 7: Lebanon vs. Triad, 5:30 p.m.

Game 8: Venice vs. Murphyboro, 7 p.m.

Game 9: Sparta vs. Waterloo, 8:30 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 22

Game 10: Lebanon vs. Triad, 5:30 p.m.

Game 11: Venice vs. Murphyboro, 7 p.m.

Game 12: Sparta vs. Waterloo, 8:30 p.m.

Game 13: Lebanon vs. Triad, 5:30 p.m.

Game 14: Venice vs. Murphyboro, 7 p.m.

Game 15: Sparta vs. Lebanon, 8:30 p.m.

Monday, Jan. 23

Game 1: Lebanon vs. Triad, 5:30 p.m.

Game 2: Sparta vs. Murphyboro, 7 p.m.

Game 3: Sparta vs. Waterloo, 8:30 p.m.

Game 4: Lebanon vs. Triad, 5:30 p.m.

Game 5: Venice vs. Murphyboro, 7 p.m.

Game 6: Sparta vs. Lebanon, 8:30 p.m.

Game 7: Lebanon vs. Triad, 5:30 p.m.

Game 8: Venice vs. Murphyboro, 7 p.m.

Game 9: Sparta vs. Lebanon, 8:30 p.m.

Game 10: Lebanon vs. Triad, 5:30 p.m.

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Game 14: Venice vs. Murphyboro, 7 p.m.

Game 15: Sparta vs. Lebanon, 8:30 p.m.



Donald Harris of Venice scores a layup.

GC Wrestling Club places five at Cougar Classic

Youth wrestling

posting a win by fall in 22 seconds.

PLACING THIRD were Richie Carney, Troy Howell, Nick Kass, Larry Meyers, Tom Tidwell and Joshua Wade, Zach McElroy and Chad Wilson placed fourth.

Granite City's fifth-place winners were Nick Broyles, Jim Cook, Matt Coppotelli, Jim Childers, Joshua Dahmann, Bryson Jackson, Pat Feigenbutz, Mike Wade and Alan Winters.

On Saturday, Granite City competed at Murphyboro and got titles from Ben Cook, Cory Lusk, Matt Steiner and Matt Wagoner. Jonathan Hayes, Larry Meyers and Anthony Wise placed second, and Daniel Johnson, Travis Morton and T.J. Nance placed third.



Coming up

Maroons are next
Denise McMillan (left) and the Lady Warriors travel to Belleville West for an 8 p.m. Southwestern Conference game Friday.

Trivia answers
1. Dupo's Glenn Graff scored 75 points against Waterloo on Feb. 17, 1956.
2. Freeburg's Rich Maurer scored 60 against New Baden on Feb. 19, 1954.

Schedule

Thursday, Jan. 19
WRESTLING: Granite City at Belleville East, 6:30 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 20
GIRLS BASKETBALL: Granite City vs. Belleville West, 6:15 p.m.

WRESTLING: Granite City at Hazelwood Central Quesada, TBA

BOYS BASKETBALL: Madison vs. East St. Louis, 6 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 21
WRESTLING: Granite City vs. Jerseyville, 10 a.m.

Monday, Jan. 23
HOCKEY: Granite City vs. Francis Howell North, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 24
GIRLS BASKETBALL: Granite City vs. Hazelwood Central, 6:15 p.m.

BOYS BASKETBALL: Venice vs. Metro East, 6:15 p.m.

HOCKEY: Granite City vs. McCluer North, 8:45 p.m.

Community Sports Calendar

Batter's Choice opens.

Batter's Choice Academy, designed to assist baseball and softball players in developing their batting and pitching skills, is open for business. Located at 222 W. "D" St. in Belleville, the facility is equipped with three batting cages and two pitcher's mounds.

The academy will be open year-round, with tentative hours of 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Cages and pitching mound times can be reserved by calling Batter's Choice at 277-0297.

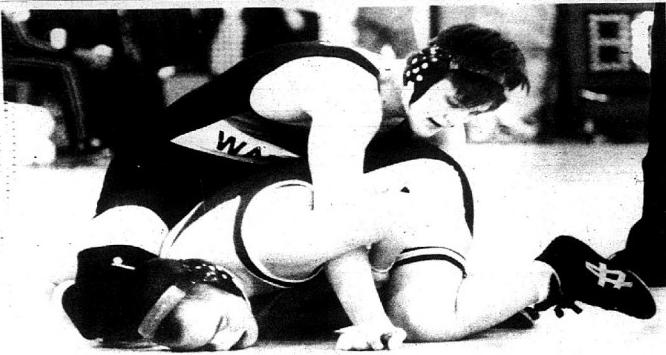
Trivial matters

1. John Battle of Chicago Cathedral holds the IHSA boys basketball record with 91 points in a 1979 game. What is the record for most points scored by a Metro East player in a single game?

2. Besides the answer to the above question, who is the only other Metro East boys player to score at least 60 points in a game?

Answers at right.

SPORTS



(Photo by T.W. MILLER)

Mark Mendenhall of the Warriors pins Belleville West's David Yoshida.

By the numbers

Journal Writers' Poll
Wrestling

Week of Jan. 18

	Hazelwood West at Collinsville, 8:00	Granite City at Salem Invitational, TRA
Team	1. Granite City (1).....50	ment, 11:00
League	2. Hazelwood East (2).....44	Independents
Overall	3. Francis Howell (5).....40	Overall
	4. St. Charles West (3).....37	W L
	5. Webster Groves (4).....25	Edwardsville 9 1
	6. Belleville East (6).....25	Gibault 9 1
	7. Howell North (9).....18	O'Fallon 9 1
	8. Collinsville (8).....14	Cahokia 10 5
	9. McCluer North (7).....14	Lutheran 7 6
	10. Hazelwood Central (10).....5	Vestal 7 6
		Madison 5 8
		Allard 4 8
		Dupo Lincoln 4 8
		Baldwin 2 8
		Vaymeyer 2 11
		Last Friday
		Springfield Sacred Heart-Griffin 72,
		Althoff 66
		Columbia 63, Breeze Central 82
		Lebanon 74, Carlyle 52
		Okawville 55, Wescelin 44
		Last Saturday
		Cahokia 57, Althoff 46
		ESL Lincoln 75, East St. Louis 71
		Mater Dei 71, Gibault 49
		Venice 57, Cardinals 29
		This Monday
		Cahokia 57, Althoff 46
		ESL Lincoln 75, East St. Louis 71
		Mater Dei 71, Gibault 49
		Venice 57, Cardinals 29
		This Tuesday
		New Athens vs. Chester 44
		Alton Marquette 61, Dupo 48
		Mater Dei 61, Wescelin 55
		East St. Louis Lincoln 73, Cahokia 54
		Hillsboro 66, Lebanon 50 (20T)
		Waterloo 66, Lebanon 50 (20T)
		This Wednesday
		Althoff vs. Cahokia at Belleville East
		Itasca vs. Mascoutah at Nashville
		Freeburg vs. Highland at Nashville
		Itasca vs. Venice at Sparta Tournament, 5:30
		Waterloo vs. Triad at Sparta Tournament, 5:30
		This Thursday
		Wescelin vs. Vandalia at Nashville Invitational, 6:30
		Freeburg at Nashville Invitational, TBA
		Cardinal Ritter vs. Central at Litchfield Invitational, 6:30
		This Friday
		Coulterville at Red Bud, 8:00
		Cahokia vs. Wescelin at Benton Invitational, 8:00
		Freeburg, Wescelin at Nashville Invitational, 8:00
		Itasca vs. Triad at Sparta Tournament, 5:30
		Waterloo vs. Sparta at Sparta Tournament, 7:00
		This Saturday
		Gibault vs. Belleville West at East Invitational, 8:30
		Gibault at Nashville Invitational, TBA
		This Friday
		Althoff, Cahokia, O'Fallon at Belleville East Invitational, TBA
		Edwardsville at Salem Invitational, TBA
		Gibault at Nashville Invitational, TBA
		East St. Louis Lincoln at Alton, 8:00
		East St. Louis at Madison, 8:00
		Venice vs. Murphyboro at Sparta Tournament, 7:00
		This Saturday
		Gibault at Waterloo, 8:00
		Lebanon at Madison, 8:00
		St. Mary's at Vaymeyer, 8:00
		Venice at Venice, 8:00
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SPORTS

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LOCAL HEROES

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Hockey

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Lindbergh then killed two minors with penalties and appeared to be on the verge of establishing momentum for the third period. But Chris Angle skated in on Kevorkovich's break with a laser blast from the right point with 27 seconds remaining in the second period.

"HE WAS LOOKING invincible, but that was just a matter of time," plain and simple," Pickett said.

But when Laski beat Slater with a slap shot from the seam to tie the game at 4-4 with 41 seconds into the third period,

While his team outshot the Flyers 17-6 in the final period, Yurkovich said the Warriors would have their work cut out for them in practice.

"We need to work on moving the puck in the power play formations, moving it out to the point, taking a high percentage shot rather than direct shots from the sides of the net," Yurkovich said. "I think our passing looked good tonight, but we still have to work on fundamentals. We're trying to be too smooth

with our shots. They don't have to be pretty. They just need to be quick and on net. Once we get them off, we need to work on

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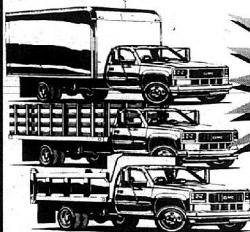
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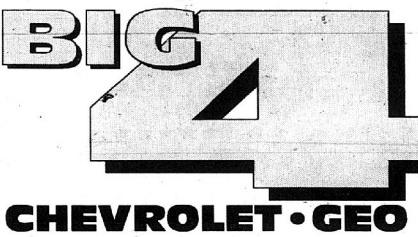
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Gronewold — Mau

Robert Jolene Gronewold and John David Mau were married Nov. 19, 1994, by the Rev. Michael Spatz, at Our Lord's Lutheran Church in Collinsville.

The bride is daughter of Max and Elaine Gronewold of Carthage. She graduated in 1988 from Carthage High School and received her law degree in finance from Illinois State University in 1990. She is investment operations manager for Investment Counselors in St. Louis.

The groom is the son of Mary

Lou Mau of Granite City and the late James Mau. A 1982 graduate of Granite City High School, he is currently attending Belleville Area College. Mau is employed by Spectrulite Consortium in Madison as an apprentice electrical engineer.

The person of honor was Debra Kahl of Barnhart, Mo. The best man was Scott Dennis of Edwardsville. The flower girl was Kristin Mau of New Baden. Jeremy Eagen of St. Charles, Mo., was the ring bearer.

Ushers were Merlin Gronewold of Carthage and Dan Mau of Granite City. Diane Eagen of St. Charles attended the guest book.

Readers were Carolyn Mau of Grant's Pass, Ore., and Greg Gronewold of Carthage. Mau and Diane, both of Carthage, were candlelighters. Vocals for "The Wedding Song" and "Ave My Love" were provided by Chuck Krieger of Kettering, Ohio, and Kristin Kanoy of Iowa City.

A dinner and dance followed the ceremony at the VFW Hall in Collinsville. The couple now reside in Collinsville.



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Mr. and Mrs. Denny Walton

Walton-50 Years

Denny and Norma Walton of Granite City will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Jan. 22.

Mr. Walton and the former Norma Hildreth were married Jan. 22, 1945, in Trinity Tabernacle by the late Rev. William Teeters. He is retired from Norfolk and Western Railroad.

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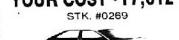
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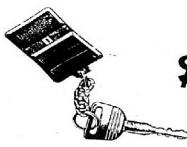
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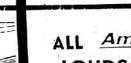
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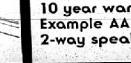
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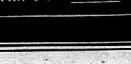


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